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LEXINGTON PHYSICIAN FOUND GUILTY
OF FILING FALSE TAX RETURNS

DUNN LAMPTON, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi, and MICHAEL J. De PALMA, Special Agent in Charge of the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation, New Orleans Field Office, announced that **CALVIN RAMSEY**, of Lexington, Mississippi, a physician, was found guilty in federal district court in Jackson, Mississippi, Thursday evening.

RAMSEY was indicted by a federal grand jury on November 7, 2007, for filing false tax returns for 2000 and 2001, whereby he failed to report substantial gross receipts from his business.

Michael J. De Palma, IRS Special Agent in Charge, stated: "Filing false tax returns is not a victimless crime. Honest, hardworking Americans pay the price when others choose

not to pay their tax obligations. The prosecution of individuals who intentionally conceal income is a vital element in maintaining public confidence in our tax system. We should not expect the honest taxpayer to foot the bill for those who hide income from the IRS."

RAMSEY faces a maximum penalty of 72 months in prison or a fine of \$200,000.00, or both. Sentencing in the federal court is determined by the discretion of federal judges and the governing statute. Parole has been abolished in the federal system.

United States District Judge William H. Barbour, Jr., has scheduled **RAMSEY'S** sentencing hearing for January 6, 2009.

This case was investigated by Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations agents in the Oxford and Jackson offices and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mike Hurst.

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